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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF U S
WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC., A
COLORADO CORPORATION, FOR A HEARING
TO DETERMINE THE EARNINGS OF THE
COMPANY, THE FAIR VALUE OF THE
COMPANY FOR RATEMAKING PURPOSES, TO
FIX A JUST AND REASONABLE RATE OF
RETURN THEREON AND TO APPROVE RATE
SCHEDULES DESIGNED TO DEVELOP SUCH
RETURN.

DOCKET NO. T-01051B-99-0105

IN THE MATTER OF U S WEST
COMMUNICATIONS, INC. TARIFF FILING FOR
APPROVAL OF A \$.25 SURCHARGE FOR A
CALL TO A U S WEST 800 SERVICE LINE
FROM A PAY TELEPHONE.

DOCKET NO. T-01051B-00-0369

PROCEDURAL ORDER**BY THE COMMISSION:**

On July 17, 2000, the Arizona Payphone Association ("APA") filed a Motion to Intervene and Request to Suspend the Effective Date of the Tariff stating that Qwest filed a tariff revision that directly affects independent payphone providers, but did not provide APA with notice of the filing. Additionally, the APA requests that the effective date of the tariff be suspended pending the Commission's review of the surcharge rate.

On July 31, 2000, Qwest Corporation, ("Qwest") formerly U S WEST Communications, Inc., filed a Response to the APA's Motion to Intervene and Request to Suspend Effective Date of Tariff ("Response") stating that the intervention is untimely, the APA's request to suspend the Tariff's effective date is moot, and the APA's arguments lack merit.

On August 7, 2000, the APA filed a Reply to Qwest's Response stating that the APA filed a Motion to Intervene when it learned of the Qwest letter as Qwest did not notify APA of its tariff filing. Further, the APA opines that as Qwest charges more than the FCC mandated payphone compensation rate, these issues should be fully addressed by the Commission and affected parties.

On August 22, 2000, Qwest filed a Surreply to the APA's Reply stating that Qwest is not obligated to notify the APA of its filings and that as the APA's members collect administrative costs per the FCC's per call compensation plan, Qwest should also be allowed to recoup its costs.

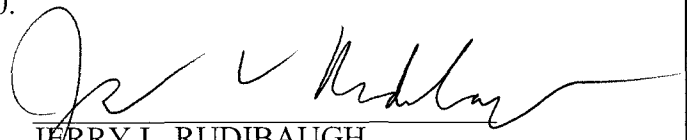
Based on the above referenced motions, it is appropriate to grant the APA intervention in this docket.

Further, as this tariff addresses compensation through rates, it is appropriate to consolidate this matter with the currently pending Qwest rate case.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Arizona Payphone Association is hereby granted intervention in this matter, Docket No. T-01051B-00-0369.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Docket No. T-01051B-00-0369 is hereby consolidated with the pending Qwest Corporation rate case, Docket No. T-01051B-99-0105.

DATED this 29th day of August, 2000.


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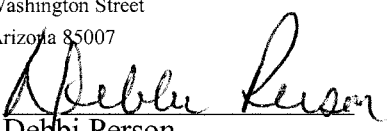
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